

(b) the number of persons that were convicted ;
 (c) the reason for their sudden release ;
 (d) whether it is true that there has been correspondence in this respect between the Indian National Congress Leaders and the Government ;

(e) whether they would be pleased to place the correspondence before the Assembly ; otherwise, what is the purport of that correspondence ?

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT. —

A.—35.—

(a) Security Cases	...	...	10
Other cases	...	...	38
(b) Security Cases	...	...	5 persons.
Other cases	...	...	24 "
(c) These were released under	Section 401 of the Criminal Procedure Code.		
(d) No.			
(e) Does not arise in view of answer to (d).			

MR. GURUNATHA KRISHNA NADIGA (Sorab Taluk).—

Q.—39. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether it is a fact that the forest authorities are cutting down timber in the District Forests which are meant for the use of the raiyats ;

(b) if so, the quantity of timber so cut, year after year, and the average cost thereof ?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.—

A.—39. (a) Fellings are sometimes conducted in some of the areas constituted as "Minor Forests" in accordance with the prescriptions of Working Plans, approved by the Deputy Commissioner and after making adequate provisions for meeting the *bona fide* requirements of the raiyats.

(b) Small areas are occasionally worked in District Jungles not notified as "Minor Forests" where timber is far in excess of the requirements of the raiyats.

This consists of mature reserved trees and over-mature growth of other kinds with a view to improve the growing stock on silvicultural principles.

MR. GURUNATHA KRISHNA NADIGA (Sorab Taluk).—

Q.—40. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government have promised to sanction a decent grant from the amount that is being realized a-petrol tax for the improvement of the District Fund Roads ;

(b) the action taken on this behalf ?

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.—

A.—40. (a) and (b) The matter is under consideration.

MR. BHUPALAM CHANDRASEKHARA SETTY (Shimoga Municipality).—

Q.—42. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether they are aware that the Mysore Match Manufacturing Co. at Shimoga, has been closed from a long time ;

(b) the district in which the monopoly for cutting soft wood has been given to the Company;

(c) whether a quantity of 10,000 cubic feet of this soft wood has been held in reserve for the manufacture of matches through the agency of Home Industries;

(d) how many Mysoreans have subscribed capital for the Mysore Match Factory;

(e) at present, who is the owner of that Company;

(f) whether they are aware that the present proprietor is intriguing to sell away the concern to the Western India Match Manufacturing Co.;

(g) whether they intend giving the monopoly for cutting soft wood to the European Company also that is likely to take up the concern;

(h) under the present agreement, what is the seigniorage rate per cubic foot of soft wood at which licences have been issued?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT.—

A. 42. (a) Yes.

(b) In the forests of Shimoga, Kadur, and Hassan Districts.

(c) Yes.

(d) About 175.

(e) The Mysore Match Manufacturing Company, Ltd.

(f) No.

(g) The question does not arise.

(h) The rate of seigniorage is six pies per cubic foot during the first five years from 11-4-1934, the rate to be charged for the remaining five years of the period of concession being decided by Government later subject however to a maximum of annas two per cubic foot.

MESSRS. K. KENCHAPPA and B. SITHARAMIAH (Hiriyur Taluk); A. BHEEMAPPA NAIK (Minorities); VANKALAPATHI THIMMIAH and PATEL MALLAPPA (Chitaldrug Taluk); T. SHADAKSHARAPPA and D. SIVASANKARIAH (Chellakere Taluk); GOWDA ESWARAPPA of Dogganahal and GOWDA ESWARAPPA (Holalkere Taluk); PATEL CHANNAPPA and GOWDA SIVAPPA (Davangere Taluk); PATTI BASAPPA and KAMAREDDI MALLAPPA (Molakalmuru Taluk); M. GURUSIDDAPPA (Davangere Municipality); MAHOMED USMAN SAHEB (Harihar Municipality) and BASAPPA alias ROGAPPA (Harihar Sub-Taluk).—

Q.—43. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) which of the villages in the Chitaldrug District have been included as model villages since the introduction of the scheme up to date;

(b) the names of such villages that were originally included in the scheme and were subsequently excluded; the dates of this inclusion and exclusion; the names of villages that have been included in place of those so excluded; the dates on which they were so included;

(c) the reasons assigned for including and excluding such of the villages that are now excluded from the scheme and the reasons assigned for each village that were subsequently included in lieu of those excluded;

(d) out of the model villages in the Chitaldrug District, how many are roadside villages and how many are the interior ones and what is the distance of such interior villages from the road;

(e) out of the model villages that were originally included and